
Public Safety Committee

HB 1836

Brief Description: Concerning the introduction of contraband into or possession of contraband in a secure facility.

Sponsors: Representatives Holy, Goodman, Roberts, Hope, Hayes and Appleton; by request of Department of Social and Health Services.

<p style="text-align: center;">Brief Summary of Bill</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Expands the offenses of Introduction of Contraband in the first, second, or third degrees to include the Introduction of Contraband to the Special Commitment Center housing sexually violent predators on McNeil Island.

Hearing Date: 2/19/13

Staff: Sarah Koster (786-7303).

Background:

"Secure facility" means a residential facility for persons civilly confined as sexually violent predators or awaiting trial for civil commitment as sexually violent predators that includes security measures sufficient to protect the community.

"Contraband" means any article or thing which a person confined in a detention facility is prohibited from obtaining or possessing by statute, rule, regulation, or order of a court.

Introducing Contraband in the First Degree.

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Introducing Contraband in the first degree is a class B felony.

Introducing Contraband in the Second Degree.

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A person is guilty of Introducing Contraband in the second degree if he or she knowingly and unlawfully provides contraband to a person confined in a detention facility with the intent that such contraband be of assistance in an escape or in the commission of a crime.

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Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of the session in which the bill is passed.